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ASSISTING STATE AGENTS WITH DRUG INVESTIGATION

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On January 10, 2020, at about 1:30 p.m., Rock County deputies were assisting agents from the Wisconsin Department of Criminal Investigation (DCI) when a person wanted for drug charges fled from agents in a vehicle southbound on Highway J from Highway 0 in the Town of LaPrairie. The suspect eventually abandoned the vehicle and fled on foot in Rockvale Mobile Home Park, located at 6219 S. USH 51, Janesville, WI. Due to DCI Agents believing the suspect could be armed with a weapon, Janesville and Beloit School Officials were informed not to allow students to board buses bound for the mobile home park. In addition, Blackhawk Technical College and Rock County Christian School were asked to lockdown.

Currently, deputies; DCI Agents; K9 Teams from Winnebago, IL; and officers from the Town of Beloit are actively searching for the suspect. When known, additional information concerning this incident will be shared in a press release.

UPDATE:

As of 3:50 p.m., both schools were released from lock down status and students were allowed to return to Rockvale.